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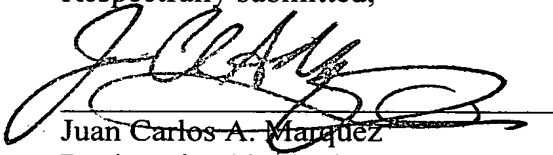
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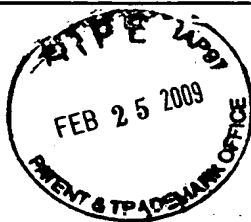
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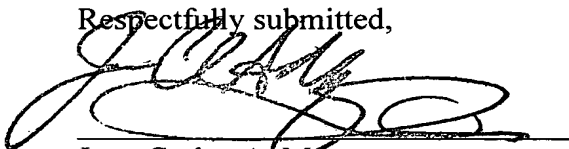
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the office action dated November 28, 2008 in the above identified application, the shortened statutory period for response of which is set to expire on February 28, 2009. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: